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Re: Alberona Market Claim No. 0185NJ084337

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May 4, 2017

<u>VIA NEW JERSEY LAWYERS'</u> SERVICE

Essex County Superior Court Civil Clerk, Law Division Civil Fiscal Central Processing Unit 50 West Market Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE & VERIFIED COMPLAINT

Re: Alberona Market v. Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find the following for filing with respect to the above captioned matter:

(xxx) Order to Show Cause (original and three copy);

(xxx) Verified Complaint (original and one copy);

(xxx) Case Information Statement;

(xxx) Certification of Counsel;

(xxx) Brief in Support of Verified Complaint;

(xxx) Proposed Form of Order (original and one copy);

(xxx) Check in the amount of \$300.00 - Check No. 4239.

If the Order to Show Cause meets with your approval, kindly execute and return a conformed copy to this office in the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Law Offices of Christopher T. Howell, Esq.

CHRISTOPHER HOWELL

Enclosures

cc: Brian Farrelly - claims adjuster (sent via fax and C.M.R.R.)

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ALBERONA MARKET Plaintiff(s,) vs.	SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: ESSEX COUNTY DOCKET NO. CIVIL ACTION
ATLANTIC CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
Defendant(s).	
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thereafter as counsel may be heard, why the defe	
business personal property coverage and business	s interruption coverage to plaintiff for a fire loss
occurring on March 17, 2017 and why plaintiff is	not entitled to damages, costs, and fees for the
filing of this Order to Show Cause, and	

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendants, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company shall file an Answer to the annexed Complaint within thirty-five (35) days after the date of service of the Order to Show Cause and Complaint upon the defendant, exclusive of the date of service. If the defendant fails to answer in accordance with Rule 4:4-6, and appear on the return date as set forth herein above, judgment by default may be rendered against the defendant for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Defendant shall promptly file their Answer with the Clerk of Essex County, Newark, New Jersey, in accordance with civil practice and procedure, and;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a representative of Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company appears in court on ______, 2017 and bring copies of:

- Any letters, notices, or correspondence under which Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company provided Notice of Nonrenewal of insurance including proof of service by certified mail; or by certificate of mailing pursuant to N.JA.C. 11:1-20.2(i)
- Any letters, notices, or correspondence under which Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company allegedly reserved its right to disclaim coverage.
- Any letters, notices, or correspondence under which Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company disclaimed coverage.
- A certified copy of each and every Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company's policy (including but not limited to policy no. M148000110-2) in effect on March 14, 2016 through March 14, 2107.
- The complete claims file pertaining to the subject claim under claim number 0185NJ084337 (to be reviewed in camera by the judge).
- Copies of all correspondence between Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company and agent/broker, Morstan General Agency of NJ or any other insurance company, agent and/or broker regarding the subject claim;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the within Order shall be served on all parties via certified mail, return receipt requested and regular mail within _____ days from the date hereof, and;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all answering certifications and affidavits shall be served

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CIVIL ACTION

VERIFIED COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Alberona Market, doing business as a beauty supply store at 319 Mt. Prospect Avenue, City of Newark, County of Essex and State of New Jersey herein says:

FIRST COUNT

- 1. This matter arises from a fire loss which occurred on March 17, 2017 wherein the plaintiff, Alberona Market, sustained significant property loss and loss of business income.
- 2. At or around the time of the subject fire loss the plaintiff maintained liability insurance coverage through Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company under policy number M148000110-2. The policy period was from March 14, 2016 to March 14, 2017.
- 3. On March 28, 2017 Plaintiff was advised that the defendant, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company were attempting to disclaim coverage for the subject accident.
- 4. Upon information and belief, defendant Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company now seeks to disclaim coverage because they allege that the policy was properly canceled on March

14, 2017 (just 3 days before the subject loss) by way of a Notice of Nonrenewal of Insurance that they allege was mailed to plaintiff on or around December 9, 2016.

- 5. Plaintiff's did not receive proper notice of Nonrenewal of Insurance and therefore were unaware the subject policy had cancelled just three (3) days prior to the subject loss.
- 6. On April 5, 2017 plaintiff, through counsel, requested defendant provide proof of service of the Nonrenewal Notice that was allegedly sent to plaintiff pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i), which mandates that no nonrenewal shall be valid unless notice thereof is sent by certified mail; or by a certificate of mailing from the US Postal Service.
- 7. On April 24, 2017, defendant provided plaintiff a copy of a Notice of Nonrenewal addressed to Alberona Market dated December 9, 2016 but no proof of service as mandated by N.J.A.C. 11:1-20(i) was accompanied with said letter.
- 7. As of the date of filing this Complaint, defendant has failed to provide proper proof of service of said notice.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands that (a) the defendants provide coverage for the subject loss, (b) a representative of each defendant appear and show cause why judgment shall not be entered in favor of plaintiff and why defendant shall not provide coverage for plaintiff's subject loss, and (c) punitive, compensatory, treble, and other damages, attorney's fees, interest, and costs of suit.

SECOND COUNT

- 1. Plaintiff hereby repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of the First Count as if the same were set forth herein at length.
- 2. The defendants sold to the underlying defendants policies of insurance which provided coverage in the event of property loss and business interruption coverage as a result of a

fire.

- 3. Defendant Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company has made promises to the plaintiff with respect to such coverage and have engaged in advertising in this state promising insurance coverage to their policyholders.
- 4. By refusing to provide coverage for a legitimate claim for personal injuries and other losses sustained as a result of a fire loss, and by attempting to disclaim otherwise applicable coverage for the subject loss, defendant Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company has violated their promises to this plaintiff and to the general public, thereby committing an unconscionable practice, deceptive fraud, false promise, misrepresentation and/or concealment and omission of material facts relied upon by the plaintiff in violation of the Consumer Fraud Act.
- 5. The defendant's attempts to renege on their promise and legal obligation to provide coverage for the subject accident constitutes a violation of the Consumer Fraud Act.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands that (a) the defendants provide coverage for the subject loss, (b) a representative of each defendant appear and show cause why judgment shall not be entered in favor of plaintiff and why defendant shall not provide coverage for plaintiff's subject loss, and (c) punitive, compensatory, treble, and other damages, attorney's fees, interest, and costs of suit.

THIRD COUNT

- 1. Plaintiff hereby repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of the First and Second Counts as if the same were set forth herein at length.
- 2. By failing to provide coverage and by attempting to disclaim coverage for the subject accident, in light of the clear statutory language under N.J.A.C 11:1-20.2 et al. mandating such coverage, the defendant has violated the Unfair Claims Settlement Practices Act and has

engaged in unfair claims settlement practices.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands that (a) the defendants provide coverage for the subject loss, (b) a representative of each defendant appear and show cause why judgment shall not be entered in favor of plaintiff and why defendant shall not provide coverage for plaintiff's subject loss, and (c) punitive, compensatory, treble, and other damages, attorney's fees, interest, and costs of suit.

FOURTH COUNT

- 1. Plaintiff hereby repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of the First, Second, and Third Counts as if the same were set forth herein at length.
- 2. By attempting to disclaim coverage and deny recovery to Alberona Market's fire loss, even though the clear statutory language under N.J.A.C 11:1-20.2 et al. mandating such coverage, the defendants have committed common law fraud, and have acted in bad faith.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands that (a) the defendants provide coverage for the subject loss, (b) a representative of each defendant appear and show cause why judgment shall not be entered in favor of plaintiff and why defendant shall not provide coverage for plaintiff's subject loss, and (c) punitive, compensatory, treble, and other damages, attorney's fees, interest, and costs of suit.

FIFTH COUNT

- Plaintiff hereby repeats and reiterates each and every allegation of the First, Second,
 Third, and Fourth Counts as if the same were set forth herein at length.
- 2. The disclaimers now allegedly being asserted by the defendant violates the public policy (and the statutory law confirming that public policy) that all insureds be provided proper notice of nonrenewal.

In light of the attempts to disclaim by Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company,
 plaintiff requires a complete documentation of the grounds for such disclaimers.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff demands that (a) the defendants provide coverage for the subject loss, (b) a representative of each defendant appear and show cause why judgment shall not be entered in favor of plaintiff and why defendant shall not provide coverage for plaintiff's subject loss, and (c) punitive, compensatory, treble, and other damages, attorney's fees, interest, and costs of suit.

Law Offices of Christopher T. Howell, Esq.

Attorneys for Plaintiffs

BY:

CHRISTOPHER HOWELL

Dated: May 4, 2017

CERTIFICATION PER R. 4:5-1

I hereby certify, R.1:4-4(b) that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other action pending in any Court or of a pending arbitration proceeding and none are contemplated.

I certify that if the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false I am subject to punishment.

Law Offices of Christopher T. Howell, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

BY:

CHRISTOPHER HOWELL

Dated: May 4, 2017

DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO RULE 4:25-4

Christopher T. Howell, Esq. of the Law Offices of Christopher T. Howell, Esq., attorneys

for the aforementioned plaintiffs, is hereby designated as trial counsel in the within matter.

Law Offices of Christopher T. Howell, Esq. Attorneys for Plaintiffs

CHRISTOPHER HOWELL

BY:

Dated: May 4, 2017

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315 Broad Street Bloomfield, NJ 07003 973-259-1122 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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CIVIL ACTION

PLAINTIFF'S CERTIFICATION IN SUPPORT OF VERIFIED COMPLAINT

- I, Immacolata Soliman, hereby certify as follows:
 - 1. I am the owner of the named plaintiff in the above captioned matter.
- 2. I have read the Verified Complaint and to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all the facts contained therein are true.

I hereby certify that all of the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

DATED: May 4, 2017

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CIVIL ACTION

BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF COMPLAINT

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- This matter arises from a fire loss occurred on March 17, 2017 wherein the plaintiff,
 Alberona Market, sustained significant property loss and loss of business income.
- 2. At or around the time of the subject fire loss the plaintiff maintained liability insurance coverage through Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company under policy number M148000110-2. The policy period was from March 14, 2016 to March 14, 2017.
- 3. On March 17 plaintiff's beauty supply store was significantly damage due to fire making the business permanently inoperable.
- 4. On March 23, 2017, through plaintiff's counsel, defendant was put on notice of said loss and requested a claim be established.
- 3. On March 28, 2017 plaintiff was advised that the defendant, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company were attempting to disclaim coverage for the subject accident.

- 4. Defendant Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company now seeks to disclaim coverage because they allege that the policy was properly canceled on March 14, 2017 (just 3 days before the subject loss) by way of a Notice of Nonrenewal of Insurance that they allege was mailed on or around December 9, 2016.
- 5. Plaintiff did not receive proper notice of the Nonrenewal of Insurance and therefore were unaware the subject policy had cancelled just three (3) days prior to the subject loss.
- 6. On April 5, 2017 plaintiff, through counsel, requested defendant provide proof of service of the Nonrenewal Notice that was allegedly sent to plaintiff pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i), which mandates that no nonrenewal shall be valid unless notice thereof is sent by certified mail; or by a certificate of mailing from the US Postal Service.
- 7. On April 24, 2017, defendant provided plaintiff a copy of a Notice of Nonrenewal addressed to Alberona Market dated December 9, 2016 but no proof of service as mandated by N.J.A.C. 11:1-20(i) was accompanied with said letter.
 - To date, defendant has failed to provide proper proof of service of said notice.

LEGAL ARGUMENT

POINT I

DEFENDANT CANNOT SHOW THEY PROVIDED PROPER NOTICE OF NONRENEWAL THAT WARRANTS DISCLAIMING COVERAGE

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(b) "no notice of nonrenewal shall be valid unless it is mailed or delivered by the insurer to the insured not more than 120 days nor less than 30 days prior to the expiration of the policy." In addition, N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2 (g) states, "no nonrenewal

or cancellation shall be valid unless the notice contains the standard or reason upon which the termination is premised and specifies in detail the factual basis upon which the insurer relies." Lastly, and most pertinent to the subject lawsuit, N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i) states the following:

- (i) No nonrenewal or cancellation shall be valid unless notice thereof is sent;
 - 1. By certified mail; or
 - 2. By first class mail, if at the time of mailing the insurer has obtained from the Post Office Department a date stamped proof of mailing showing the name and address of the insured, and the insurer has retained a duplicate copy of the mailed notice.¹

Here, defendant, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company wrote and bound a commercial general liability policy for plaintiff under policy number M148000110-2. The policy period was from March 14, 2016 to March 14, 2017. The policy provided \$100,000 in business personal property coverage and \$10,000 in business interruption coverage. On March 17, 2017 plaintiff business sustained significant fire damage. On March 23, 2017, through plaintiff's counsel, defendant was put on notice of said loss and requested a claim be established. On March 28, 2017 Plaintiff was advised that the defendant, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company were attempting to disclaim coverage for the subject accident claiming the policy was properly canceled on March 14, 2017 (just 3 days before the subject loss) by way of a Notice of Nonrenewal of Insurance that they alleged was mailed on or around December 9, 2016. The reason of the nonrenewal was "due to loss history." Plaintiff did not receive proper notice of Nonrenewal and therefore was unaware the subject policy had cancelled just three (3) days prior to the subject loss.

¹ This is also known as a Certificate of Mailing, which is a receipt that provides evidence of the date and address that the mail was presented to the Postal Service for mailing. It can only be purchased at the time of mailing.

On April 5, 2017 plaintiff, through counsel, requested defendant provide proof of service of the Nonrenewal Notice that was allegedly sent to plaintiff pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i), which mandates that no nonrenewal shall be valid unless notice thereof is sent by certified mail; or by a certificate of mailing from the US Postal Service. On April 24, 2017, defendant provided plaintiff a copy of a notice of nonrenewable addressed to Alberona Market dated December 9, 2016 but no proof of service as mandated by N.J.A.C. 11:1-20(i) was accompanied with said letter.

Defendant must show that it satisfied N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i) by producing either a copy of the certified mail return receipt "green card" accompanied with confirmation of delivery from the US Postal Service by way of the tracking number associated with certified letter; or a certificate of mailing in the form of a receipt that provides evidence of the date and address the notice was actually presented to the Postal Service for mailing. Here, plaintiff has formally requested and has given ample time for defendant to produce evidence of either form of acceptable proof of service as prescribed by N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i). Defendant has failed to produce evidence of proper service. Meanwhile, plaintiff remains without insurance and continues to be unable to operate their business due to the subject fire loss. Irreparable financial harm continues to occur each day this fire loss goes uninsured.

The statute is explicitly clear with respect to coverage in the event the defendant insurer is unable to prove it sent proper notice of nonrenewal to the plaintiff. N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(j) states in pertinent part as follows:

[I]f an insurer fails to send a notice of nonrenewal as required by this subchapter or fails to issue and deliver a policy replacing at the end of the policy period a policy previously issued and delivered by the insurer, or fails to issue and deliver a certificate or notice extending the term of a policy beyond its policy period or

term, or fails to provide notice of renewal as specified at (c) above, the insured shall be entitled to continue the expiring policy at the same terms and premium until such time as the insurer shall send appropriate notice of termination or renewal under this subchapter. (emphasis added).

Based upon the clear language above, plaintiff shall be entitled to continued coverage beyond the March 14, 2017 expiration date to allow coverage for the fire loss occurring just three (3) days later on March 17, 2017. The purpose of requiring timely proof of service on notices of nonrenewal is to confirm the insured is aware of the upcoming cancellation of the policy and to provide adequate time to secure new coverage with another carrier. Had proper notice been given, plaintiff would have been able to secure another insurance carrier with no lapse in coverage.

The purpose of the aforementioned statue is to avoid a lapse in coverage that would leave the insure exposed to potential loss or liability. That is exactly what happen in the instant case. The plaintiff/insured was unaware of defendant's intention to not renew the subject policy "due to claim history" and therefore did not obtain coverage from another carrier prior the policy expiration. Plaintiff's policy had only expired three (3) days prior to the subject fire loss. Plaintiff cannot have been expected to know their policy was not in effect just three (3) days following the expiration of her policy when she was not given proper notice of same.

It should be noted that plaintiff did make a prior unrelated claim for water damage with a date of loss of September 28, 2016 that was still pending at the time of the fire loss of March 17, 2017. The damages of that claim were only \$2352.40, which were subject to the policy deductible of \$1000 producing a payout of only \$1,352.40 by Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company. With such a small claim, the was no way plaintiff could expect or anticipate the defendant would not renew the policy "due to claim history."

Therefore, defendant should be compelled to provide coverage for the subject loss up to the full policy limits under the same terms and premium of the expiring policy; and denied the right to disclaim coverage for the March 17, 2017 loss for failing to provide proper notice of nonrenewal pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i).

POINT II

DISCLAIMING COVERAGE IN THIS CASE VIOLATES STATE LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY REQUIRING LIABILTY INSURANCE COVERAGE TO PROTECT INNOCENT INSUREDS IN THE EVENT OF PROPERTY LOSS

The disclaimers of coverage would violate the public policy (and the statutory law confirming that public policy) that all insureds be provided proper notice of nonrenewal. See N.JA.C. 11:1-20.2, et al. This insurance obligation to provide proper notice of nonrenewal exists to protect innocent insureds from lapse in liability coverage and by ensuring there is a source of compensation from which to collect in the event of a loss.

If insurance carriers can simply disclaim liability coverage by producing a copy of Notice of Nonrenewal without proof of when said notice was actually mailed and whether it was actually received by the insured, then the public policy/statutory obligation for liability insurance is wholly thwarted. Thus, if the insurance carrier cannot show proof of service of the nonrenewal notice, the defendants should be compelled to provide coverage to the plaintiff under the same terms and premium of the expiring policy. (See, N.JA.C. 11:1-20.2(i)).

<u>POINT III</u>

THE DEFENDANT'S ATTEMPT TO DISCLAIM COVERAGE VIOLATES THE CONSUMER FRAUD ACT

The Consumer Fraud Act declares unlawful "the act, use or employment by any person of

an unconscionable commercial practice, deception, fraud, false pretense, false promise, misrepresentation, or the knowing, concealment, suppression, or omission of any material fact with intent that others rely upon such concealment, suppression or omission, in connection with the sale or advertisement of any merchandise or with the subsequent performance of such person ... "N.J.S.A. 56:8-2. The Consumer Fraud Act can apply to insurance policies. See <u>Lemelledo v. Beneficial Management Corp. of America</u>, 150 N.J. 255 (1997). A violation of the Consumer Fraud Act entitles the aggrieved party to attorney's fees, filing costs, reasonable expenses, and treble damages. N.J.S.A. 56:8-17.

Here, the defendant sold to the plaintiff a policy of insurance which provided coverage in the event of fire loss. The defendant has been made aware plaintiff's fire loss shortly after it had occurred. The defendant was also made aware of the potential liability for continued coverage beyond the expiration date for failing to provide proper notice of the nonrenewal. Despite this, defendant has never participated in the loss claim. They never sent an adjuster to investigate the claim or participate in the fire inspection that occurred on April 21, 2017 at the request of the building owner's insurance company. They did absolutely nothing other than send a declination of coverage letter dated March 28, 2017 and a copy of a Nonrenewal Notice with no proof of service on April 24, 2017. Meanwhile, plaintiff has been unable to operate its business while going uninsured for this loss with no assistance from their insurance carrier.

Plaintiff has relied on the policy of coverage provided by defendant and had no reason to believe the policy would be canceled "due to claim history." Following the subject loss, plaintiff proceeded with the understanding there was insurance coverage from which they could be compensated for their losses. Until March 28, 2017, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company had

never properly disclosed they had canceled the policy.

Defendant has made promises to the plaintiff with respect to such coverage and have engaged in advertising in this state promising insurance coverage to its policyholders. By attempting to disclaim coverage without first properly canceling the policy with proof of notice to the plaintiff, defendant Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company has violated their promises to the plaintiff, and to the general public, thereby committing an unconscionable practice, deceptive fraud, false promise, misrepresentation and/or concealment and omission of material facts relied upon by the plaintiff. These actions and omissions thereby constitute a violation of the Consumer Fraud Act.

POINT IV

THE DEFENDANT'S ATTEMPTS TO DISCLAIM COVERAGE VIOLATE THE UNFAIR CLAIMS SETTLEMENT PRACTICES ACT

The Unfair Claims Settlement Practices Act (N.J.S.A. 17:29B-1, et seq.) prohibits unfair claim settlement practices, including:

- Misrepresenting pertinent facts or insurance policy provisions related to coverages
- Failing to acknowledge and act reasonably promptly upon communications with respect to claims arising under insurance policies
- Failing to adopt and implement reasonable standards for the prompt investigation of claims arising under insurance policies
- Refusing to pay claims without conducting a reasonable investigation based upon all available information
- Failing to affirm or deny coverage of claims within a reasonable time after proof
 of loss statements have been completed

- Not attempting in good faith to effectuate prompt, fair, and equitable settlements
 of claims in which liability has become reasonably clear;
- Attempting to settle a claim for less than the amount to which a reasonable person
 would have believed he was entitled by reference to written or printed advertising
 material accompanying or made part of an application
- Failing to promptly provide a reasonable explanation of the basis in the insurance policy in relation to the facts or applicable law for denial of a claim
 N.J.S.A. 17:29B-4(9)(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (n).

Given that the plaintiff has rights to coverage under the subject policies, the defendant insurance company is obligated to treat it fairly with respect to such claims.

By attempting to disclaim coverage for the subject loss, the defendants have violated the above provisions and have therefore engaged in unfair claims settlement practices. Thus, the plaintiff is entitled to damages.

<u>POINT V</u>

THE DEFENDANT'S REFUSAL TO PROVIDE COVERAGE CONSTITUTES COMMON LAW FRAUD

The subject coverage is required under the applicable policy language, state law, and public policy. Moreover, the coverage under this policy was contracted and agreed by and between the parties. According to the terms of the policy agreement, the policy provided coverage for fire loss. By now attempting to disclaim coverage that would otherwise apply to the subject accident for plaintiff's losses, and upon which plaintiff has relied, the defendant has committed common law fraud.

Black's Law Dictionary defines fraud (in part) as "unconscionable dealing; esp. in

contract law, the unconscientious use of the power arising out of the parties' relative positions and resulting in an unconscionable bargain" and defines common law fraud (promissory fraud)" as being "a promise to perform when the promisor had no intention of performing the promise." By promising coverage to the plaintiff's in the event of fire loss, but then attempting to disclaim such coverage after plaintiff makes a claim for same, the defendants have committed common law fraud. Defendant has failed to provide proof they properly served plaintiff with the Notice of Nonrenewal prior to policy expiration. Defendant are fully aware they cannot prove proper service but are still disclaiming coverage, which rises to the level of common law fraud. Plaintiff is therefore entitled to damages.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above, the plaintiff respectfully requests an Order compelling the defendants to provide coverage for the subject loss up to the full policy limits under the same terms and premium of the expiring policy; and denying the defendants the right to disclaim coverage for the March 17, 2017 loss for failing to provide proper notice of nonrenewal pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i). Moreover, plaintiff respectfully requests an Order compelling a representative of the defendant insurance carrier, who is knowledgeable of this matter and the attempts to disclaim coverage, to appear in Court and provide the documentation described herein. Plaintiff further requests compensatory, punitive, treble, and other damages, as well as costs, interest, and attorney's fees for the filing of said Order to Show Cause.

Law Offices of Christopher T. Howell, Esq.

Attorneys for Plaintiffs

CHRISTOPHER HOWELL

Dated: May 4, 2017

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ALBERONA MARKET Plaintiff(s,) vs. ATLANTIC CASUALTY INSURANCE	SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: ESSEX COUNTY DOCKET NO. CIVIL ACTION ORDER
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ALBERONA MARKET

Plaintiff(s,)

VS.

ATLANTIC CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY

Defendant(s).

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION: ESSEX COUNTY DOCKET NO.

CIVIL ACTION

CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL

- I, CHRISTOPHER T. HOWELL, ESQ., of full age by way of Certification in lieu of Affidavit say:
- I am an attorney at law of the State of New Jersey and the attorney for the plaintiff in the above captioned matter. I am fully familiar with this action.
- 2. Plaintiff, Alberona Market alleges they suffered significant property loss and business income as a result of a fire that occurred on March 17, 2017 at their place of business. The fire caused a total loss of plaintiff's property and inventory making the business completely inoperable resulting in significant loss of income. (See photographs attached as Exhibit A).
- 3. Defendant, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company wrote and bound a commercial general liability policy for plaintiff under policy number M148000110-2. The policy period was for March 14, 2016 to March 14, 2017. The policy provided \$100,000 in business personal property coverage and \$10,000 in business interruption coverage. (See Exhibit B).

- 4. On March 23, 2017, I notified defendant of said loss and requested a claim be established. (See Exhibit C).
- 5. On March 28, 2017 Defendant Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company attempted to disclaim coverage for the subject accident, claiming the policy was canceled on March 14, 2017, just three (3) days before the subject loss, for nonrenewal due to loss history. (See Exhibit D).
- 6. On April 5, 2017 I requested defendant provide proof of service of the Nonrenewal Notice that was allegedly sent to plaintiff pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i), which mandates that no nonrenewal shall be valid unless notice thereof is sent by certified mail; or by a certificate of mailing from the US Postal Service. (See Exhibit E).
- 7. By way of letter dated April 24, 2017, defendant provided this office a copy of a Nonrenewal Notice addressed to Alberona Market dated December 9, 2016 that was provided to them by their insurance broker, Morstan General Agency of NJ but no proof of service as mandated by N.J.A.C. 11:1-20(i) was accompanied with said letter. (See Exhibit F).
- 8. As of the date of filing this Complaint, defendant has failed to provide proper proof of service of the Nonrenewal Notice to plaintiff pursuant to N.JA.C. 11:1-20.2(i).
- 9. To protect my client's interests and to ensure that there is insurance coverage applicable to this matter from which my client is entitled to so that they can be reimbursed for their losses, I have filed the within Order to Show Cause to confirm insurance coverage for the subject loss. I have also requested that the defendants appear in court with full documentation and proofs concerning their alleged disclaimer of coverage, and requested damages, fees, costs, and interests related to such Order to Show Cause.
- 10. In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that plaintiff's application be granted. A copy of the proposed Order is attached hereto.

I hereby certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware if an of the statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

CHRISTOPHER T. H

DATED: May 4, 2017

EXHIBIT A



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EXHIBIT B



COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART DECLARATIONS

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED - MANAGERS OR LESSORS OF PREMISES

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

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- 1. Designation of Premises (Part Leased to You): 319 Mt. Prospect Avenue NEWARK NJ 07104
- Name of Person or Organization (Additional Insured): JC REALTY
 MOLNAR DR., ELMWOOD PARK, NJ 07407
- 3. Additional Premium: \$50

(If no entry appears above, the information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule but only with respect to liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of that part of the premises leased to you and shown in the Schedule and subject to the following additional exclusions:

This insurance does not apply to:

- 1. Any "occurrence" which takes place after you cease to be a tenant in that premises.
- Structural alterations, new construction or demolition operations performed by or on behalf of the person
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THIS COMMON POLICY DECLARATIONS AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATIONS, TOGETHER WITH THE COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS, COVERAGE FORM(S) AND ENDORSEMENTS COMPLETE THE ABOVE NUMBER POLICY. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Company has coused the Policy to be signed by its President and its Secretary and countersigned by a duly authorized representative

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EXHIBIT C

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\$15 BROAD STREET BLOOMFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07003

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March 23, 2017

VIA FAX (919-751-2502) & REGULAR MAIL

Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company Claims Department 400 Commerce Court Goldsboro, North Carolina 27533-2027

Re:

Insured: Alberona Market Policy No: M1480001102 Date of Loss: 03/17/2017

Dear Sir/Madam:

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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office.

ristopher T. Howell, Esq.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Immacolata Soliman – (via e-mail) Morstan General Agency, Inc.

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March 23, 2017

<u> YIA FAX (919-751-2502) & REGULAR MAIL</u>

Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company Claims Department 400 Commerce Court Goldsboro, North Carolina 27533-2027

Re:

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March 28, 2017

Christopher T. Howell Attorney At Law 315 Broad Street Bloomfield, NJ 07003

> CERTIFIED MAIL (7016 0910 0000 6475 7344) AND REGULAR U. S. MAIL

Re:

Policy Number:

M148000110-2

Claim Number:

0185NJ084337

Insured:

Alberona Market March 17, 2017

Date of Loss: Your Client:

Alberona Market

Declination of Coverage

Dear Mr. Howell:

This will acknowledge receipt of a claim filed for fire damage to Alberona Market's business, located on 319 Mt. Prospect Avenue in Newark, New Jersey. The fire loss occurred on March 17, 2017.

Alberona Market's policy with Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company, policy number M1498000110-2 was effective March 14, 2016 to March 14, 2017. The policy included the Special Form Policy, CP1030 (10/12) and provides coverage in amount of \$100,000 for business personal property and \$10,000 for business interruption including extra expense for premise one, building one. A \$1,000 deductible per occurrence applies to all covered losses.

The policy includes *CP0010 (10-12)*) *BUILDING & PERSONAL PROPERTY COVERAGE FORM*, which states in part:

BUILDING AND PERSONALPROPERTY COVERAGE FORM

A. Coverage

We will pay for direct physical loss of or damage to Covered Property at the premises described in the Declarations caused by or resulting from any Covered Cause of Loss.

400 Commerce Court, Goldsboro, North Carolina 27534 Phone 919-759-3319 Toll Free 1-877-222-5522 Fax (919) 751-2502

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY CONDITIONS

This Coverage Part is subject to the following conditions, the Common Policy Conditions and applicable Loss Conditions and Additional Conditions in Commercial Property Coverage Forms.

H. POLICY PERIOD, COVERAGE TERRITORY

Under this Coverage Part:

- 1. We cover loss or damage commencing:
 - a. During the policy period shown in the Declaration; and
 - b. Within the coverage territory.
- 2. The coverage territory is:
 - a. The United States of America (including its territories and possessions);
 - b. Puerto Rico; and
 - c. Canada.

COVERAGE ANALYSIS

Our investigation revealed the fire occurred on March 17, 2017. Alberona Market's policy with Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company was effective March 14, 2016 to March 14, 2017. Since the loss occurred after the policy expiration date, no coverage can be found for this loss.

We suggest you have your client contact their agent and report this claim to their current commercial property insurance carrier.

By copy of this letter, we are also notifying Grano Insurance Agency, the retail agent on above referenced policy that ACIC cannot find any coverage for this claim.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

This statement of ACIC's position is without prejudice to you or to ACIC. It is based on information provided to date. ACIC reserves its right to supplement this statement of its position with additional grounds for reserving its rights or denying coverage under its referenced policy should any such grounds appear hereafter. Nothing in this letter shall be construed as a waiver, extinguishment, or modification of any rights, remedies, terms, conditions, and/or exclusions contained in the policy and/or provided by applicable law.

ACIC will reconsider its position in light of any additional information you may have or any analysis you may wish to present that, in your opinion, shows that coverage applies to this claim. If you wish us to re-examine this matter on that basis, please write to the undersigned representative, setting out any such additional information or analysis. If such additional

information is included in documents that have not already been supplied to ACIC, please enclose copies of those documents.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:25-1.7 New Jersey's Insurance Laws, require that all carriers provide an internal appeals process to resolve any and all claim disputes. If you are not satisfied with the handling of your claim, contact Angie Grady, Vice President of Claims, Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company, 400 Commerce Court, Goldsboro, NC 27533.

Additionally, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:25-1.7 we provide you with the following information for contacting the Office of Insurance Claims Ombudsman:

Office of Insurance Claims Ombudsman Department of Banking and Insurance PO Box 472

Trenton, NJ 086250472 Telephone: (800) 4467467 Telefax: (609) 2922431

Email:

ombudsman@dobi.state.nj.us

Sincerely,

Brian Farrelly Claims Examiner

Cc: Alberona Market

319 Mt Prospect Avenue Newark, NJ 07104

Grano Insurance Agency P O Box 368 South Orange, NJ 07079 **EXHIBIT E**

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April 5, 2017

<u>VIA FAX (919-751-2502)</u>

Brian Farrelly, Claims Examiner Atlantic Casualty Insurance Company Claims Department 400 Commerce Court Goldsboro, North Carolina 27533-2027

Re:

Policy No; M148000110-2 Claim No: 0185NJ084337 Insured: Alberona Market Date of Loss: 03/17/2017

Dear Mr. Farrelly:

As you know, this office represents, Alberona Market located at 319 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Newark, New Jersey for a fire loss occurring on March 17, 2017. I am in receipt of your letter dated March 28, 2107 wherein you are denying coverage due to an expired policy effective March 14, 2017. As I am sure you are aware, you are bound to provide my client with proper notice of non-renewal and/or cancellation of the policy pursuant to N.J.A.C. 11:1-20.2(i). By way of this letter, I am requesting that you provide to this office proof of notice pursuant to the aforementioned statute. By copy of this letter, I am putting Grano Insurance and Morstan General Agency, Inc. on notice of my representation in this matter and ask that they as well provide any and all proofs of notice of said cancellation as mandated by statute.

Lastly, I recently spoke with Andrew Sternheim, adjuster for Wesco Insurance Company who provides coverage for the landlord/owner of 319 Mount Prospect Ave, Newark, NJ. He advised that a fire inspection will be conducted sometime next week. I would like to know if you will be sending a representative to the inspection in the event my client is able to establish coverage under your policy for this date of loss. Please advise.

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Very truly yours,

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Andrew Sternheim (via email: asternheim@deckerclaims.com)

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April 24, 2017

Christopher T. Howell Attorney at Law 315 Broad Street Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Re:

Our Insured:

Alberona Market

Our Claim #:

0185NJ084337

Your Client:

Alberona Market

Date of Loss:

March 17, 2017

Dear Mr. Howell:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated April 5, 2017 wherein you request any and all proofs of notice of the policy cancellation. Attached, please find the documentation provided to us by the general agency, Morstan General Agency of NJ.

Any action taken by ACIC, its agents, representatives, or attorneys in investigating the incident involved, or in defending any law suit filed in connection with this matter, or in participating in any settlement discussions or negotiations, does not constitute and is not intended as a waiver of any rights or defenses available to ACIC and shall not prohibit ACIC from asserting, at a later time, any rights or policy defenses which may be available now or at that time. All such rights and defenses are hereby expressly reserved. Nothing in this letter shall be construed as a waiver, extinguishment, or modification of any rights, remedies, terms, conditions, and/or exclusions contained in the policy and or provided by applicable law.

Should you have any questions, please contact me directly to discuss.

Thank you,

Bryan Davis

Claims Supervisor

919-759-7559 (phone)

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BDavis@AtlanticCasualty.Net

CC:

Morstan General Agency of NJ

1460 Route 9 North, Suite. 204

Woodbridge, NJ 07095

400 Commerce Court, Goldsboro, North Carolina 27534-8010 Phone 919-759-3319 Toll Free 1-877-222-5522 Fax (919) 751-2502

ATLANTIC CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY P O BOX 8010 GOLDSBORO NC 27533-2027

NOTICE OF NONRENEWAL OF INSURANCE

Named Insured & Mailing Address:

Producer: MORNJ

ALBERONA MARKET 319 MT. PROSPECT AVENUE NEWARK NJ 07104

MORSTAN GENERAL AGENCY OF NJ 1460 ROUTE 9 NORTH SUITE 204 WOODBRIDGE NJ 07095

Policy No.: M1480001102 Type of Policy: PACKAGE

Date of Expiration: 03/14/2017; 12:01 A.M. Standard Time at the mailing address of the Named Insured.

We will not renew this policy when it expires. Your insurance will cease on the Expiration Date shown above.

The reason for nonrenewal is DUE TO LOSS HISTORY

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO PROTEST OUR ACTION. YOU MAY FILE A WRITTEN COMPLAINT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE, OFFICE OF CONSUMER INQUIRY AND CASE PREPARATION UNIT, PO BOX 471, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY 08625, OR YOU MAY CONTACT THEM AT (609)292-7272, OR ELECTRONICALLY AT www.state.nj.us/dobi/consumer.htm. YOU SHOULD CONTACT THEM IMMEDIATELY IF YOU WISH TO FILE A COMPLAINT.

This policy provides fire and extended coverage insurance on your property. You should contact your agent concerning coverage through another insurer, or your eligibility for coverage through the New Jersey insurance Underwriting Association, 744 Broad Street, Suite 1100, Newark, NJ 07102-3881. Phone: (973) 622-3838.

Named Insured

ALBERONA MARKET 319 MT. PROSPECT AVENUE NEWARK NJ 07104

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Date Meiled:
9th day of December, 2016

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THIS ENDORSEMENT CHANGES THE POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.

ADDITIONAL INSURED - MANAGERS OR LESSORS OF **PREMISES**

This endorsement modifies insurance provided under the following:

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART

SCHEDULE

- 1. Designation of Premises (Part Leased to You): 319 Mt. Prospect Avenue **NEWARK**
- 2. Name of Person or Organization (Additional Insured): JC REALTY 263 MOLNAR DR., ELMWOOD PARK, NJ 07407
- 3. Additional Premium: \$50

(If no entry appears above, the information required to complete this endorsement will be shown in the Declarations as applicable to this endorsement.)

WHO IS AN INSURED (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule but only with respect to liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of that part of the premises leased to you and shown in the Schedule and subject to the following additional exclusions:

This insurance does not apply to:

- 1. Any "occurrence" which takes place after you cease to be a tenant in that premises.
- 2. Structural alterations, new construction or demolition operations performed by or on behalf of the person or organization shown in the Schedule.

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